

In the Specification:

NE Please amend the Specification as follows:
Page 13, line 22, please delete "which."
Page 20, line 9, after "connection" insert --not--.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1 as follows:

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1 1. A system having first and second processes residing on first and second
2 computers used with backup or restore operations, wherein each of said first and said
3 second computers are in communication with a data storage system storing data from at
4 least said first and second computers [on] and a network, said system comprising
5 at least one first communication mechanism residing on both said first and second
6 computers for facilitating communications between said first and second processes over
7 said network;
8 a second communication mechanism residing on both said first and second
9 computers for facilitating communication between said first and second processes
10 through said data storage system; and
11 means, within said first and second processes, for allowing said first and second
12 processes to determine whether a communication [call] from said first and second
13 processes is from [for] first or second communication mechanism.